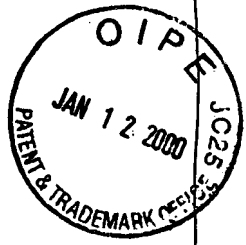


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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of October 06, 1999, on
page 3, line 8, after "Entitled", add - Apparatus For
Clamping and Precisely Cutting Metal Castings, filed
November 02, 1998, Serial No. 09/184,150.

Amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (Amended) A rotary clamping device for use in
clamping and holding a metal casting tree during cutting of
the metal casting tree, comprising
a cylinder,
an elongate piston rod in said [cylindrical] cylinder
projecting axially from the cylinder and having inner and
outer ends,
a piston secured to said piston rod and positioned with
the cylinder,
means connecting the cylinder to a source of fluid
under pressure for shifting the piston and piston rod
axially of the cylinder in advanced and retracted
directions,
an elongate guide secured to said cylinder and

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